



RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED
EXAMINING GROUP 1642
PATENT
Customer No. 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 5552.0953-04

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Mathias FIBI et al.) Group Art Unit: 1642
Application No.: 08/897,441) Examiner: K. Canella
Filed: July 21, 1997) Confirmation No.: 4501
For: *Erythropoietin (EPO) Peptides and*) **Box After Final**
Antibodies Directed Against These)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

Applicants now reply to the Office Action mailed June 8, 2004, the period for response having been extended to December 8, 2004, by a request for extension of 3 months and fee payment filed concurrently herewith. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper at page 2.

Remarks/Arguments follow the amendment sections of this paper and begin at page 3.